

(b) 600 acres are developed but are not used for the specific purposes due to draught conditions.

(c) 5 years.

(i) 300 acres within a period of 2 years from 17th July 1969, i.e., the date of execution of the agreement—*vide* clause 4 (e) of the agreement.

(ii) 200 acres before the end of 3rd year.

(iii) 250 acres before the end of 4th year.

(iv) 250 acres before the end of 5th year.

(d) The firm have sunk 10 tube wells in the area and brought sprinklers. They constructed storage sheds and have grown crops in some area. They have spent considerable amount to develop the area. It is too early to expect any result.

Calling Attention to matters of urgent Public Importance

(i) Re.: Failure of T.A.P.C.M. Society to render services to the Ryots

Sri B. SATHYANARAYANA SINGH (Hospet).—I call the attention of the Minister for Co-operation to the failure of T.A.P.C.M. Societies at Kudligi, Siruguppa, Kampli, Hadagalli, Harapanahalli and Hospet to render services to the ryots of those areas.

Sri A. SHANKARA ALVA (Minister for Co-operation).—I make the following statement :

The Taluka Agricultural Produce Co-operative Marketing Societies at Kudligi, Siruguppa, Kampli, Hadagalli, Harapanahalli, and Hospet have not failed completely. They are even now undertaking all their normal activities including supply of seeds, fertilisers and foodgrains.

Instances of misappropriation, mismanagement and misapplication of funds have been noticed and remedial action is being taken in all cases. In Hadagalli, the persons responsible for misappropriation have been prosecuted and action has also been taken to recover the money. In Hospet and Siruguppa,